Overview

This bill, among other things, redefines prehospital care data and requires the commissioner of health to collect data from ambulance service licensees. Also requires the commissioner to share certain data and classifies data on individuals as private and data not on individuals as nonpublic.

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1 Ambulance prehospital care data. Amends § 13.3806 by adding subdivision 23. States that ambulance prehospital care data is governed by section 144.281.

2 Prehospital care data. Adds § 144.281.

Subd. 1. Definitions. Defines terms used throughout the bill, including, but not limited to “prehospital care data.” Defines prehospital care data as specific data that includes demographic information of the ill or injured person, details on the date, location, and cause of the illness or injury, information about the condition of the person, and information about treatment of the person.

Subd. 2. Authority and collection. Requires ambulance service licensees to maintain prehospital care data for every response and provide the data electronically to the commissioner of health within 30 days of an incident. Also requires the Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board (EMSRB) to transfer legacy prehospital care data to the commissioner.

Subd. 3. Reporting to hospitals. Requires an ambulance service licensee to provide information about prehospital medical care to the hospital when a patient is
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transferred to the hospital. Allows the commissioner to provide the prehospital care data to the hospital upon request by the hospital.

Subd. 4. Use of data. Requires the commissioner to use the prehospital care data for specific purposes, including, but not limited to, improving outcomes of trauma and developing protocols.

Subd. 5. Data classification. Classifies prehospital care data collected by the commissioner on individuals as private data. Data collected that is not on individuals are nonpublic data.

Subd. 6. Reporting. Requires the commissioner to create an annual summary prehospital care data report with specific information. The reports are classified as summary data, including nonpublic data not on individuals.

Subd. 7. Sharing of data. (a) Requires the commissioner to provide private and nonpublic prehospital care data to the EMSRB on services required by the EMSRB to operate its licensing and regulatory program. 

(b) Requires the commissioner to provide nonpublic prehospital care data on motor vehicle crashes to the commissioner of public safety to reduce deaths and injuries from automobiles.

(c) Allows the commissioner to provide private and nonpublic prehospital care data to the National Emergency Medical Services Information System Technical Assistance Center.

3 Emergency suspension of ambulance service requirement. Amends § 144E.266. Removes cross reference to section 144E.123 (repealed by this bill).

4 Fine. Amends § 144E.31, subdivision 3. Removes cross reference to fine for violation of section 144E.123 (repealed by this bill).

5 Repealer. Repeals section 13.381, subdivision 12 (data privacy provision cross referencing section 144E.123. Section one of this bill adds new data privacy reference). Repeals section 144E, subdivisions 1, 2, 3, and 5 (prehospital care data; subdivision 4 was previously repealed, so the effect of this repealer is to repeal the entire section).